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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on March 7, 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. In view of the Request for Clarification filed on March 7, 2006, PROSECUTION IS HEREBY REOPENED. New grounds for rejection are set forth below.

To avoid abandonment of the application, appellant must exercise one of the following two options:

(1) file a reply under 37 CFR 1.111 (if this Office action is non-final) or a reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (if this Office action is final); or,

(2) request reinstatement of the appeal.

If reinstatement of the appeal is requested, such request must be accompanied by a supplemental appeal brief, but no new amendments, affidavits (37 CFR 1.130, 1.131 or 1.132) or other evidence are permitted. See 37 CFR 1.193(b)(2).

2. Claims 1-30 have been examined.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

4. Claim 12 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because this is a "single means claim". "A means recitation does not appear in combination with another recited element of means, is subject to an undue breadth rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. *In re Hyatt*,

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708 F.2d 712, 714-715, 218 USPQ 195, 197 (Fed. Cir. 1983) (A single means claim which covered every conceivable means for achieving the stated purpose was held nonenabling for the scope of the claim because the specification disclosed at most only those known to the inventor" (see MPEP 2164.08(a). Further, there are not distinct functions that make the device of claim 12 an ATM.

Double Patenting

5. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

6. Claim 1 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device, an input device, a transaction function device, a

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computer, wherein the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at least one document (i.e. a document) including at least one instruction (i.e. an instruction) adapted to cause the computer to cause operation of the transaction device (to operate the transaction function device).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

7. Claim 1 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 12 of copending Application No. 09/233,249.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application no. 09/233,249 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. a first transaction machine), a computer, wherein the computer is in operative connection with the output device, the input device and the transaction function device wherein the output device outputs information, whereby a user is enabled to perceive outputs from the output device, an input device, wherein the input device is operative to receive inputs, whereby a user is enabled to provide inputs to the machine (i.e. a first computer of a first type, wherein the first computer includes at least one first output device, wherein the first output device is operative to provide at least one output to users of the first machine, and at least one first input device, wherein the first input device is operative to receive at least one input from users of the machine), a transaction function device, where the transaction function device is selectively operative to carry out a transaction (i.e. a first transaction function device in operative connection with the first computer, wherein the first transaction device is operative to carry out a transaction function), software executable in the computer, wherein the software includes a browser (i.e. first transaction

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machine interface software in operative connection with the first computer), the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein (i.e. a first instruction document in operative connection with the first computer, wherein the first instruction document includes at least one command instruction), wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at least one document including at least one instruction adapted to cause the computer to cause operation of the transaction function device (wherein the first computer is operative responsive to at least one first input to the first input device to cause the first transaction function device to carry out the transaction function and wherein the first computer is further operative to generate a first output through the first output device responsive to the first input, the first transaction machine interface software and at least one command instruction in the first instruction document.).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

8. Claim 2 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 2 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses the transaction function device includes a sheet dispenser.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

9. Claim 3 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 3 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 disclose the transaction function device includes a card reader

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This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

10. Claim 4 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 4 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses the transaction function device includes a printer.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

11. Claim 5 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 5 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses the transaction function device includes a depository.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

12. Claim 6 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 4 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses the transaction function device includes a keyboard.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

13. Claim 7 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 7 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application No. 10/980209 discloses the software is operative responsive to

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an instruction to access at least one HTTP record address (i.e. an HTTP record address), wherein the at least one HTTP record address (i.e. the HTTP record address) corresponds to the at least one HTTP record including instructions adapted to cause the computer to cause operation of the transaction function device (for operating the transaction function device).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

14. Claim 10 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose producing an output through the output device responsive to the at least one HTML format document. Wagner discloses producing an output through the output device responsive to at least one HTML (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML documents). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 to produce an output through the output device responsive to the at least one HTML format document. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

15. Claim 14 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980,209.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a computer, wherein the computer includes document handling software (i.e. browser), and wherein the computer is operative to carry out the at least one banking transaction responsive to the document handling software processing the at least one mark up language document (i.e. the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein, and wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at document including an instruction to operate the transaction function device).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

16. Claim 15 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 4542287 to Watanabe.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device, an input device, a transaction function device, a computer, wherein the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at least one document (i.e. a document) including at least one instruction (i.e. an instruction) adapted to cause

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the computer to cause operation of the transaction device (to operate the transaction function device). As for the limitation where the transaction function device includes a note dispenser and wherein the at least one banking transaction includes dispensing at least one note from the note dispenser this is an inherent feature; that is, it is known in the art that automated banking machines include a note dispenser that dispenses at least one note. Watanabe exemplifies this inherency; notice, as indicated by Watanabe, ATMs consists of a dispensing function that dispenses bank notes (see col. 1, lines 5-30).

17. Claim 15 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 12 of copending Application No. 09/233,249 in view of US Patent No. 4542287 to Watanabe.

Application no. 09/233,249 discloses an automated banking machine (a first transaction machine), a computer, wherein the computer is in operative connection with the output device, the input device and the transaction function device wherein the output device outputs information, whereby a user is enabled to perceive outputs from the output device, an input device, wherein the input device is operative to receive inputs, whereby a user is enabled to provide inputs to the machine (a first computer of a first type, wherein the first computer includes at least one first output device, wherein the first output device is operative to provide at least one output to users of the first machine, and at least one first input device, wherein the first input device is operative to receive at least one input from users of the machine), a transaction function device, where the transaction function device is selectively operative to carry out a transaction (a first transaction function device in operative connection with the first computer, wherein the first transaction device is operative to carry out a transaction function), software

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executable in the computer, wherein the software includes a browser (first transaction machine interface software in operative connection with the first computer), the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein (a first instruction document in operative connection with the first computer, wherein the first instruction document includes at least one command instruction), wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at least one document including at least one instruction adapted to cause the computer to cause operation of the transaction function device (wherein the first computer is operative responsive to at least one first input to the first input device to cause the first transaction function device to carry out the transaction function and wherein the first computer is further operative to generate a first output through the first output device responsive to the first input, the first transaction machine interface software and at least one command instruction in the first instruction document.). As for the limitation where the transaction function device includes a note dispenser and wherein the at least one banking transaction includes dispensing at least one note from the note dispenser this is an inherent feature; that is, it is known in the art that automated banking machines include a note dispenser that dispenses at least one note. Watanabe exemplifies this inherency; notice, as indicated by Watanabe, ATMs consists of a dispensing function that dispenses bank notes (see col. 1, lines 5-30).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

18. Claim 17 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 4542287 to Watanabe.

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Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device, an input device, a transaction function device, a computer, wherein the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at least one document (i.e. a document) including at least one instruction (i.e. an instruction) adapted to cause the computer to cause operation of the transaction device (to operate the transaction function device). As for the limitation where the transaction function device includes a note dispenser and wherein in step (c) the portion of the banking transaction includes dispensing at least one note with the note dispenser this is an inherent feature; that is, it is known in the art that automated banking machines include a note dispenser that dispenses at least one note. Watanabe exemplifies this inherency; notice, as indicated by Watanabe, ATMs consists of a dispensing function that dispenses bank notes (see col. 1, lines 5-30).

19. Claim 18 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 3 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a transaction function device including at least one reader device (i.e. card reader). Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose wherein in step (c) the portion of the transaction includes reading indicia with the reading device. Wagner discloses the portion of the transaction includes reading indicia with the reading device (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML documents). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209

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to read indicia with the reading device. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

20. Claim 19 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 3 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a transaction function device including card reader. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose wherein in step (c) the portion of the banking transaction includes reading indicia from a card. Wagner discloses reading indicia from a card (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML documents). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 to read indicia from a card with the reading device. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

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This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

21. Claim 20 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 6 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including at least one key (i.e. a keyboard). Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose sensing an input through the at least one key. Wagner discloses sensing an input through the at least one key (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML documents). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 sense an input through the at least one key. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

22. Claim 21 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 4 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5386104 to Sime.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a depository. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose the portion of the banking transaction includes receiving a deposit with the depository. Sime discloses receiving a deposit with the depository (col. 3, lines 29-38 – Other conventional modules included in each ATM includes a depository for receiving envelopes containing cash and/or checks deposited by a user). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 receive a deposit with the depository. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the banking process more convenient for bankers.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

23. Claim 22 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose providing at least one output through the output device responsive to processing at least one mark up language document with the computer. Wagner discloses providing at least one output through the output device responsive to processing at least one mark up language document with the computer (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML documents). At the time the invention was made,

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it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 to provide at least one output through the output device responsive to processing at least one mark up language document with the computer. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

24. Claim 23 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device, an input device, a transaction function device, a computer, wherein the computer includes a browser software, and wherein the at least one output is provided responsive to the browser software processing the at least one mark up language document (software executable in the computer, wherein the software includes a browser, wherein the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein). Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose providing at least one output responsive to the browser software processing the at least one mark up language document. Wagner discloses non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which

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can be operated by HTML documents. At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 to provide at least one output responsive to the browser software processing the at least one mark up language document. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

25. Claim 24 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5064999 to Okamoto et al.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose the output device includes a screen and wherein in step (d) the at least one output includes a visual output through the screen. Okamoto et al. disclose at least one output includes a visual output through a screen (see co. 34, lines 9-47). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 include a screen, wherein at least one output includes a visual output

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through the screen. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it provides an effective banking process for bankers.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

26. Claim 25 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device, an input device, a transaction function device, a computer, wherein at least one HTML document is processed by the computer (software executable in the computer, wherein the software includes a browser, wherein the browser is operative to process HTML documents).

27. Claim 26 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5742845 to Wagner.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device. Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose wherein in step (c) processing the at least one mark up language document is operative to cause the computer to provide an output through the output device and to carry out at least the portion of the banking transaction. Wagner discloses processing the at least one mark up language document is operative to cause the computer to provide an output through the output device and to carry out at least the portion of the banking transaction (i.e. non-standard I/O devices such as printer, magnetic card readers and pin pads, which can be operated by HTML

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documents). At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 to produce an output through the output device responsive to the at least one HTML format document. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it makes the transaction system “available for the ever-expanding market available through the Internet” (see col. 6, lines 28-34) using devices “which have not previously been able to couple to such open networks” (see col. 6, lines 16-20).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

28. Claim 27 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980,209 in view Merriam Webster Collegiate Edition.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a computer, wherein the computer includes is operative to cause the carrying out of the portion of the banking transaction responsive to a software (i.e. the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein, and wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at document including an instruction to operate the transaction function device). As for the computer carrying out the banking transaction responsive to at least one software applet, note that writing applet is a well known style of programming; therefore, it would have been obvious to carrying out the banking transactions

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using at least one software applet. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it is “a short application program” that efficiently performs “a simple specific task.” (See Foldoc.org - Merriam Webster Collegiate Edition 1990 definition).

29. Claim 28 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980,209.

Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including a computer, wherein the computer includes document handling software (i.e. browser), and wherein the document handling software includes a browser, where the computer is adapted to automatically operate at least one transaction function device responsive to the processing of at least one mark up language document with the document handling software (i.e. the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein, and wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at document including an instruction to operate the transaction function device).

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

30. Claim 29 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 2 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view US Patent No. 4542287 to Watanabe.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses at least one transaction function device includes a currency sheet dispenser. As for the wherein the banking transaction includes dispensing at least one currency sheet from the currency sheet dispenser, this is an inherent feature; that is, it is known in the art that automated banking machines include a currency sheet dispenser that dispenses at least one currency sheet. Watanabe exemplifies this inherency; notice, as indicated by Watanabe, ATMs consists of a dispensing function that dispenses currency (see col. 1, lines 5-30).

31. Claim 30 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 in view of US Patent No. 5064999 to Okamoto et al.

Application No. 10/980209 discloses an automated banking machine (i.e. automated transaction machine) including an output device and a computer including document handling software (i.e. browser), and wherein the document handling software includes a browser, where the computer is adapted to automatically operate at least one transaction function device responsive to the processing of at least one mark up language document with the document handling software (i.e. the browser is operative to process HTML documents including instructions therein, and wherein the transaction function device is operative to carry out the transaction function responsive to the browser processing at document including an instruction to operate the transaction function device). Application No. 10/980209 does not expressly disclose a display device having a display screen, wherein the computer is operative to automatically display at least one visual output through the display device responsive to processing at least one mark up language document with the computer. Okamoto et al. disclose at least one output

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includes a visual output through a display device having a display screen (see co. 34, lines 9-47).

At the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify the automated banking machine in Application No. 10/980209 include a display device having a display screen, wherein the computer is operative to automatically display at least one visual output through the display device responsive to processing at least one mark up language document with the computer. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to do this because it provides an effective banking process for bankers.

32. Independent claims 8, 9, 11, 13 and 16 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting are all rejected as non-statutory obviousness type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/980209 and claim 12 of copending Application No. 09/233,249. Note. These claims are rejected on the same rationale as independent claim 1 above.

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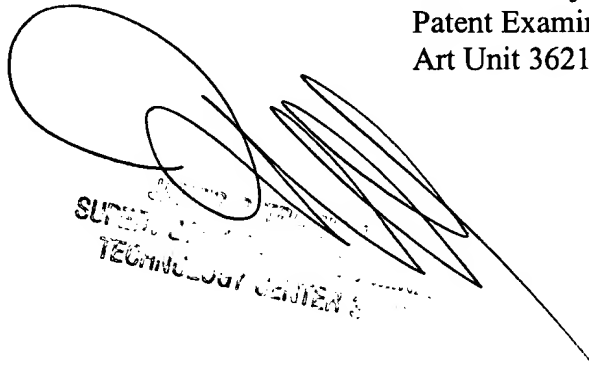
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